

# **HOUSE BILL No. 1265**

DIGEST OF HB 1265 (Updated February 10, 2005 10:04 am - DI 87)

Citations Affected: IC 4-22.

**Synopsis:** Justification for rulemaking. Requires an agency that publishes a notice of intention to adopt a rule that imposes a requirement or cost on a regulated entity to include in the notice a statement justifying the requirement or the cost. Provides that the statement must include a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the agency in determining that the imposition of the requirement or cost is necessary.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 11, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform.

February 14, 2005, reported — Do Pass.





#### First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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- SECTION 1. IC 4-22-2-24 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 24. (a) An agency shall notify the public of its intention to adopt a rule by complying with the publication requirements in subsections (b) and (c).
- (b) The agency shall cause a notice of a public hearing to be published once in one (1) newspaper of general circulation in Marion County, Indiana. To publish the newspaper notice, the agency shall directly contract with the newspaper.
- (c) The agency shall cause a notice of public hearing and the full text of the agency's proposed rule (excluding the full text of a matter incorporated by reference under section 21 of this chapter) to be published once in the Indiana Register. To publish the notice and proposed rule in the Indiana Register, the agency shall submit the text to the publisher. The agency shall submit the rule in the form required by section 20 of this chapter and with the documents required by section 21 of this chapter. The publisher shall determine the number of copies of the rule and other documents to be submitted under this

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1	subsection.	
2	(d) The agency shall include <b>the following</b> in the notice required by	
3	subsections (b) and (c):	
4	(1) A statement of the date, time, and place at which the public	
5	hearing required by section 26 of this chapter will be convened.	
6	(2) A general description of the subject matter of the proposed	
7	rule. and	
8	(3) In a notice published after June 30, 2005, a statement	
9	justifying any requirement or cost that is:	
10	(A) imposed on a regulated entity under the rule, other	
11	than a regulated entity that is an instrumentality of state	
12	or local government; and	
13	(B) not expressly required by:	
14	(i) the statute authorizing the agency to adopt the rule;	
15	or	_
16	(ii) any other state or federal law.	
17	The statement required under this subdivision must include	
18	a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the	
19	agency in determining that the imposition of the requirement	
20	or cost is necessary.	
21	(3) (4) An explanation that:	
22	(A) the proposed rule; and	
23	(B) any data, studies, or analysis referenced in a statement	
24	under subdivision (3);	_
25	may be inspected and copied at the office of the agency.	
26	However, inadequacy or insufficiency of the subject matter description	
27	under subdivision (2) or a statement of justification under	
28	subdivision (3) in a notice does not invalidate a rulemaking action.	V
29	(e) Although the agency may comply with the publication	
30	requirements in this section on different days, the agency must comply	
31	with all of the publication requirements in this section at least	
32	twenty-one (21) days before the public hearing required by section 26	
33	of this chapter is convened.	
34	(f) This section does not apply to the solicitation of comments under	



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section 23 of this chapter.

### COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform, to which was referred House Bill 1265, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

BUCK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 1.

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